DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council is convening its Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) via webinar to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: This webinar will be held on Friday, May 5, 2023, beginning at 9 a.m. Webinar registration information:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/329104051621034326.

Call in information: 1 (415) 930-5321, Access Code: 916-377-054.

ADDRESSES:

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Agenda:

The Scientific and Statistical Committee will meet to discuss the challenges the SSC has faced when applying acceptable biological catch (ABC) control rules for

Northeast multispecies (groundfish) stocks. They will also discuss the progress made on

scoping a model for enhanced use of the SSC sociocultural and economics expertise in

the SSC and Council process (e.g., SSC subpanel on social science). They will receive an

update on plans for the eighth meeting of the Council Coordination Committee's

Scientific Coordination Subcommittee. Other business will be discussed as necessary.

Although non-emergency issues not contained on the agenda may come before

this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during

this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this

notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action

under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified

of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency. The public also

should be aware that the meeting will be recorded. Consistent with 16 U.S.C. 1852, a

copy of the recording is available upon request.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign

language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Thomas A. Nies,

Executive Director, at (978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

Dated: April 14, 2023.

Rey Israel Marquez,

Acting Deputy Director,

Office of Sustainable Fisheries,

National Marine Fisheries Service.